ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

[0032] An optical add/drop patch cord. The optical add/drop patch cord has an

optical add/drop component enclosed by a casing. An input fiber is optically coupled to

the optical add/drop component and permanently or detachably connected to the casing.

A drop fiber is optically coupled to the optical add/drop component and permanently or

detachably connected to the casing. An add fiber is optically coupled to the optical

add/drop component and permanently connected to the casing. An output fiber is

optically coupled to the optical add/drop component and permanently connected to the

casing.

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